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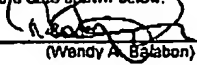
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For: VEHICLE POWER DISTRIBUTION NODE  
WITH REDUNDANT POWER SUPPLY

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 7, 2006 finally rejecting claims 1-16 and 20-25, and further in response to the Advisory Action dated January 24, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.